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Had Brief Career as a Car Thief

Paul Baker, son of Robert Baker, parked his Buick roadster east of the Reflector office Wednesday evening. About 9 o'clock he discovered that it was gone and Night Marshal Dederick went on a search for clues. He found one that told him that Sidney Wells, a young man about town, had stolen it, taken it to a garage on East Sixth street and locked it up, intending to repair it and get out of town, incidentally marrying a girl with whom he was infatuated. The story came from a young man who said that Wells had proposed the plan to him in the afternoon. Marshal Dederick went to the garage and found the car; he arrested Wells who had gone to bed and the youth who confessed to the theft is in the county jail.

Wells was on parole from the State Reformatory where he was sent from Saline county for car theft and will be returned to the institution.

DEATH OF C. EBERHARDT

Pioneer Kansas Man Passed Away in Salina

C. Eberhardt, 81, veteran of the Civil war and pioneer Salina citizen, died at 2:40 o'clock Tuesday morning after a long illness. He moved to Leavenworth in 1885 and came to Salina in 1887, being identified with most of the larger early industries there.

Five sons and three daughters survive, among them Charles Eberhardt of the United States consular service; Frank and Fred, former state bicycle and tennis champions, and John, widely known over the country as a musician and for his poems of childhood.

Not only was he identified with the beginnings of his home town, Salina, but he was also a member of the original townsite company of McPherson, and helped to start a number of smaller towns in this vicinity. When he made his preliminary trip to Salina, leaving his little family at Leavenworth, he rode from Abilene on horseback, so little had transportation progress been made. He was influential in securing eastern capital for railroad facilities at Salina, and made a number of trips east with this object in view. In the second year of his residence, he was foremost in organizing the defense of the settlers against the famous Indian raid of that year. In addition to the demands of his large private business interests, he was a leader in all activities for community betterment, and held positions of trust in many of Salina's leading institutions.

JULIUS WATERSTRADT DIES
Was an Early Settler in Dickinson County
Julius Waterstradt, aged 83 years, passed away at Wichita and funeral services were held at Enterprise, Thursday, December 21, followed by burial at Detroit cemetery beside his wife. Mr. Waterstradt came to this county and settled on a homestead in Hayes township in the early 70's. During the many years he lived in Dickinson, he became well known and gained many friends who will regret to learn of his death. He was a man of upright character who was liked by all who knew him.

Elks Entertain At Herington

The Elks had a large decorated Christmas tree, movie show, musical program and treat for the children of Herington and vicinity Christmas afternoon. Three truck loads of candy, apples, oranges and bananas formed the treat, filling 980 four-pound sacks. The Good Fellows cared for thirty-five needy families.

FEDERAL FARM LAND LOANS ARE POPULAR

This office has paid out for loans \$224,000 since March 1st, 1922. We suggest that parties wanting loans by March 1st, 1923, make their applications now. We have plenty of money and get quick service. We loan as much as \$100 per acre on lands in Kansas. We pay 2% on 100% and 3% on 125%—but need more money see us. This is a farmers organization. Are you getting the benefit of it?

HERINGTON NATIONAL FARM LOAN ASSN.

W. H. MOTT, Sec'y-Treas. Huffman Bldg., Herington, Kan. P. O. Box 100. We have a proposition whereby we can loan as much as \$50,000 on one farmer.

The New Year's Opportunities

This is the season when men pause to consider their financial positions. Have you bettered yourself during the past twelve months?

The year 1923 is at hand. Determine upon a constructive policy of saving, that you may have more capital a year from now than you have today. It is not too late to acquire the habit of thrift.

THE CITIZENS BANK

"No Loans to Officers, Directors, or Stockholders"

Forty-one ARE INVITED

Many Towns to Send Boys to Salina Meeting

Forty-one communities have been invited to send delegates to the Older Boys' conference at Salina January 5 to 7. The places in this district are Delphos, Glasco, Minneapolis, Bennington, Verdell, Niles, Solomon, Plainville, Waldo, Luray, Lucas, Sylvan, Grove, Lincoln, Shady Bend, Beverly, Tecocot, Oliver, Glendale, Gypsum, Kipp, Bridgeport, Assaria, Mentor, Palun, Smolan, Grinnell, Quinter, Wakeeney, Ellis, Hays, Russell, Wilson, Ellsworth, Kanopolis, Carneiro, Beavaria, Brookville, New Cambria, Abilene, Chapman and Enterprise.

About 200 delegates are expected. Any high school or employed boy 15 to 21 years old is eligible. Each group of six boys should be accompanied by an adult leader. The program will open with a banquet Friday evening, and end with a meeting which will adjourn at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. If fair weather prevails, many are expected to make the journey and return by automobile. Speakers will include B. V. Edworthy, Topeka, state boys' work secretary of the Y. M. C. A. and several Salina men. Full particulars can be obtained by communication with H. W. Colvin, Y. M. C. A., Salina. Salina homes are thrown open free to the delegates, breakfast being provided with lodging. The \$1 registration fee includes the conference banquet.

GET EGYPTIAN MARKET

Germany Recaptures Pre-War Trade There

(Associated Press)
Alexandria, Egypt, Dec. 22.—Germany is increasing her exports to Egypt, and it is felt here that she has virtually recaptured the Egyptian market.

Orders which previously went to Japan are now secured by German firms. She exercises an almost unchallenged monopoly in synthetic dyes, toys and pianos, and has a predominating position in the field of pencils, paper, glass, chinaware, cutlery, leather goods, small metal manufactures, cotton hosiery, small mirrors and hardware. All these articles have been dumped into the Egyptian market on a scale and at prices that have defied competition.

THINKS TWO YEARS ENOUGH

J. L. Sweeney Wants to Get Out of Reformatory

J. L. Sweeney, who was convicted of forgery in the third degree in the January term of the district court in 1921 and sentenced to from one to seven years in the State Reformatory at Hutchinson, has published notice of his intention to apply to the governor for a conditional discharge on Jan. 25, 1923.

It will be remembered that he was convicted of forging the name of A. E. Johnson, then living near Enterprise, to a check for \$17.57, made payable to A. M. Smith; Sweeney, who also had an alias of J. L. Sween, indorsed this forged check as A. M. Smith and delivered it to Mrs. Clara Ulla of Enterprise, in payment of his board bill.

WAS BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS

Weather Fair and Temperature Up to 68 During Day

Christmas Day, 1922, was one of the most beautiful Abilene has known in years. The temperature got up to 68 during the afternoon and the minimum recorded was only 68 miles. Little girls were walking out in the sunshine with their new dolls and little boys were coasting in bright new wagons, beating new drums or playing with new balls, many of them out-of-doors without wraps.

Viola Takes Over Farmers Union

R. H. Viola, the well known proprietor of the Viola store, has purchased the remainder of the bankrupt stock of the Farmers' Union store, something like \$10,000 worth, and the building on the east side of Buckeye and will combine the stock with his own. Mr. Viola is a natural born retailer and has made a marked success in merchandising. He will develop his already big business through this new acquisition and give his customers some notable bargains at the beginning of the new year.

STARTZMAN GETS OUT

Pardoned From Penitentiary, Comes Home

Governor Allen yesterday granted two additional Christmas paroles from the state penitentiary, bringing the Yuletide total to twenty-one. George A. Post, of McPherson county, and Roy Startzman, of Dickinson county, are the fortunate inmates who will be allowed to take a fifteen day vacation from the state prison.

QUIET AT WHITE HOUSE

Only a Few Friends Call, Because of Mrs. Harding's Condition

Washington, Dec. 28.—President and Mrs. Harding celebrated Christmas very quietly. On orders from Brigadier General Sawyer, the President's private physician, Mrs. Harding refrained from all activity for fear she might have a recurrence of the illness that almost resulted in her death last summer.

Only a few close friends called at the White House to pay their respects to the President and Mrs. Harding.

COUNTY CAME NEAR LOSING ONE GUEST

One of the inmates of the county jail, presumably fearful lest the county had forgotten to plan a Christmas dinner, in some manner obtained a window weight Saturday evening and by battering on the sill had completely penetrated to the outside and when discovered by a passerby had only the labor of slightly enlarging the temporary exit between himself and freedom.

Honor Roll Grows Slowly

A. H. S. honor roll for second six weeks shows an increase of six over the first six weeks. Last time there were only twenty-seven on the honor roll while this time there are thirty-three. The seniors hold the record with twelve on the roll both times. The list includes: Seniors—Rosa Barnett, May Bowyer, Paul Colby, Ida Diehl, Pearl Forster, Janet High, Erma Hinz, Avis Royer, Helen Schlegel, Frances Short.

Juniors—Mildred Bretches, Dorothy Harger, Frances Fuller, Josephine Jessitt, Frank Klingling, Gertrude Meull, Alice Miller, Ethel Mourer, Roger Winters.

Sophomores—Buth Gruen, Margaret Kilbourne, Harriet Magruder, Marion Magruder, Paul Buchenau.

Freshmen—Alice Harshman, Boyd Kyle, Estella Lambing, Ruth Mourer, Fred Schwendener, Grabelle Smece, Benjamin Kohrs.

CHEVROLET "COME BACK" IS REMARKABLE STORY

The "come back" of the Chevrolet during the past year is one of the most remarkable in automobile history. The output of the factory for the first nine months of 1922 showed 176,771 cars, nearly four times that of the corresponding period of 1921.

This "come back" is credited by those in charge primarily to the development and perfection of the 490 model so as to meet the public demands. This development consisted of a total of 68 changes between July 1, 1921 and July 1, 1922, and not satisfied with these, 26 changes and improvements were made in the 1923 models now having such a remarkable sales run.

Colds come and colds go and all that we can do is blow.

Wishing You All
A Happy New Year

The Reflector

FINE SERVICE DISMISS SCHOOLS

Every Package Delivered From Local P. O. Christmas Day

While Abilene folks were enjoying the fun of opening their packages Christmas morning the carriers for the local postoffice and the postal clerks were busy playing Santa Claus to many homes whose Christmas packages had arrived somewhat late. By 11:30 Christmas morning, when the postoffice closed, every package was delivered but a few whose number and could not be identified. There were two extra carriers working all week delivering parcels and Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday there were six. The day after Christmas when the rush is supposed to be over, 150 packages came in for Abilene people.

During December this year the local postoffice has handled 120,000 letters, according to P. H. Halleck, postmaster. Mr. Halleck called attention to the large number of letters which are sent out without the house number and name of the street or the rural route or box number in the address. Such as these are delayed during a rush season from 24 to 48 hours on the directory desk, where they are placed until the address of the person may be looked up. Where the person to whom the letter or package is addressed cannot be located, the sender is notified if his return address appears, otherwise the missive goes to the dead letter office. Probably 1,000 parcels or letters have been on the directory case during the Christmas season Mr. Halleck estimates.

The members of the local postoffice force have given excellent service to the territory they serve and deserve the praise and co-operation of the community which can add them by taking greater care in addressing mail.

MORE SHEEP IN KANSAS

Show Increase of 20 Per Cent in Year

With a 20 per cent increase in the number of sheep and lambs on foot in the Central and Mid-West states this season, Kansas is holding up her average with a one-fifth increase over last year. The largest increase, however, is in the "western irrigated region" of the Mid-West states where the number this year is from 25 to 100 per cent greater, the latter figure representing the growth of the industry in Utah in a single year. These figures are given in a report issued by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture, through Edward C. Paxton, agricultural statistician for Kansas.

HEAVY WORK AT P. O.

Cancelled More Stamps and Handled More Packages

P. H. Halleck, postmaster, reports that the local postoffice has cancelled more stamps on letters and handled more parcels this month than ever before in December. The Abilene office this month so far has cancelled stamps on 117,000 letters, more than went through here during the whole month of December, 1921.

Grades Had Tree and Programs Before the Holidays

Abilene schools have dismissed for the Christmas vacation to reconvene Tuesday, January 2. The high school and junior school dismissed at noon and the grades during the afternoon, following Christmas programs. The high school held no Christmas exercises but at junior high a program was given, commencing at 10:45.

Rev. C. L. Howard made an address and the high school Glee club sang. The orchestra played, there was a piano solo by Dorothy Attwood, a piano duet by Moneta Carney and Lois Bennett and then Christmas stories. Mary French told Van Dyke's story of "The First Christmas Tree," Marion Chappell the story of "Why the Chimes Rang," Miss Clara Day told Van Dyke's story of "The Other Wise Men" and Lois Bennett told a Christmas story.

At Garfield building each room had a tree and the children sang Christmas hymns which were played by the orchestra. They then received gifts from the tree for which each child had contributed a little toy.

The Lincoln school pupils all gathered in the playground of the school at 2 o'clock where there was a tree and where each pupil was represented in some part of the program of songs, recitations and stories. After the program for the whole school the children returned to their rooms where there were presents in a big box from which each child received one.

The children in McKinley school held their Christmas exercises in the separate rooms, with the exception of the two primary rooms which held their programs together. They had trees, songs and stories which brought out the beautiful significance of Christmas and started the little folks on their holiday with a happy anticipation of the gladness which pervades the Yuletide season.

The kindergarten held Christmas exercises in the morning which were attended by the mothers of the little folks. Santa Claus brought into the room a big barrel of toys and the children dressed to represent toys, came out of the barrel. Santa then packed them all back and soon the little boys and girls appeared again as themselves, bringing to their own mothers a painted quilt, penholder and a painted candle. The program was prepared by Miss Ruth Brown.

Why Want Them.

On a charge of taking the side curtains from the automobile of John E. Brunner, Harold Koch was fined \$10 and costs in the justice court.

Their Father Dead

Mrs. W. W. Boyer and Mrs. J. E. Price and daughter Hazel of Abilene, Mrs. Belle Clark of Lincoln and Lee Dickinson of Solomon went to Bonner Spring, called by the death of their father, D. R. Dickinson who passed away Friday night.

A Texas man says he killed a deer with his knife, and we say prohibition isn't enforced in Texas.

Merry Music on Christmas Morn

Beautiful Christmas services were observed in the churches of Abilene Christmas eve and Christmas morning. At the Lutheran church Christmas evening there was carol singing, first by the primary children, then the juniors and then the adults, followed by the beautiful story, "Why the Chimes Rang." The principal characters were Bertie Hocken-smith as Holger, Jennie Johns as Steen, Cleo Woodard as Uncle Bertel and May Sexton as an old woman. There were others who took the parts of nobles and ladies. The piece was beautifully carried out and lighting effects added much to its impressiveness. On Christmas morning a candle light service was held at the Lutheran church at 6 o'clock which was attended by a large congregation. Three cornets and a trombone were played in the church belfry, sounding glad Christmas music over all the town. The morning service opened with a procession led by the choir singing "Silent Night." This was followed by carol singing and a short sermon, by Rev. Wolf.

St. John's Episcopal church had a children's service Christmas eve which was in the form of a pageant, representing the picturesque coming of the shepherds and wise men to the manger where lay the Bethlehem Babe. At midnight a beautiful candle light song service was held. There were twenty singers in the choir and the following order of service was observed.

A processional hymn, "Kyrie" by Tallis, "Gloria" by Garrett, a hymn and then the offertory sung by Mrs. Bruce Gleason. There followed "Presentation" by Beethoven, "Surrem Corda," Cruckshank's "Sanctus," two hymns, "Gloria in Excelsis" by Tallis, Stainer's "Sevenfold Amen," "Nunc Dimittis" by Barnby and a closing hymn.

Carol singers filled the air with sweet music Christmas morning. About 60 young people met at the Methodist church at 4 o'clock and started out at 4:30 in five groups which covered the town quite thoroughly. At 6 o'clock the singers went back to the church where a waffle breakfast was served. Another group which went out was composed of colored singers. Among them was Mrs. Maggie Toles, an old resident who wanted to go out this year for fear she wouldn't be able to go next. They went out in a car and not only sang in Abilene but stopped in front of farm houses along the Golden Belt road east of town. Many residents greeted the singers and indicated their appreciation by lighting a candle in the window.

-Sports-

-L.M.T.-

Was Athletic Leader

Thomas Scanlon, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Scanlon of Chapman, who died last week was one of that city's leading athletes, being especially noted in baseball. When he attended St. Mary's College, he gained an enviable reputation in college athletics. He was for several years one of the best pitchers Chapman team ever had. Many of its baseball victories a few years ago are due to his good generalship. He was always instrumental in forwarding athletics there and some of Chapman's best events in the past were brought about through his influence.

Last of the Taylors

Chapman Advertiser: When the D. C. H. S. football team walked off the gridiron at Junction City with the victory under its arm, Thanksgiving Day, November 30, it marked not only the closing of the foot ball season for 1922, but also the passing of a name from the list of players, famous for sixteen consecutive years in this high school.

Ralph Taylor, the youngest of the five sons of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Taylor of Chapman, tackle and all-around football man, played the last scene of the drama in which some one of the Taylor brothers had starred in every act since 1907.

Clarence, "Dink," c'12, played end from 1909-'12 and at one time made a world record, though not recognized then, by kicking five consecutive drop kicks in one game. He is now traveling salesman for Heins Pickling Co. and lives at Iowa.

Leroy, "Dutch," c'16 fought for D. C. H. S. four years in football and three other sports, earning sixteen letters. He also played on the 35th division football team in France.

Karl, "Swede," considered by many the best halfback D. C. H.

S. has ever had, upheld the honor of the family from 1915-16 in three years of football and four years of basketball. He is now in the employ of the Mercantile Company in Chapman.

Chester, "Dauber," c'23, the fifth and the last of these athletes, has four letters in football to his credit. He is captain of the basketball team this season and has won two letters in track. Four of these defenders of the oval have been captain of the football team at some time in their career. They have all been captains of the basketball teams and the record that they have made in this, the most popular of indoor sports, reads much the same as that in football.

Besides distinguishing themselves in the field of athletics, these brothers have all had prominent places in the musical and in other organizations of D. C. H. S.

WHEAT IN GOOD CONDITION

Sell "Very Dry" in Southwest Counties

Wheat is in good condition over the eastern and central parts of Kansas and in the northwestern corner counties, according to the weekly crop review covering conditions for the seven-day period ending last Saturday issued today by Secretary J. C. Mohler of the state board of agriculture. The crop is furnishing good pasture in those regions, whenever conditions will permit, Mr. Mohler said. Over the southwest counties several county correspondents reported the soil "very dry" during the week and in most localities in this area moisture is needed.

Only light traces of rain and snow fell over scattered sections of the state during last week, the report said. Temperatures hovered around the zero mark, especially toward the last of the week, and with the chilly winds which were prevalent, livestock for the first time this winter sought protection from the cold in feed lots. Over eastern and central sections, the ground is reported frozen from two to six inches.

BIG INCREASE IN AUTOS IN KANSAS

There are at least 303,702 automobiles and 23,468 trucks in Kansas this year, according to license registration fees returned to the automobile bureau of the secretary of state's office. E. A. Cornell, head of the bureau, estimated today that probably not more than 100 additional fees will be recorded before the books close next Saturday. These figures show there is one automobile in the state for a little less than every five citizens. The population of Kansas is given in round numbers as 1,750,000. The number of vehicles of both classes, 327,170, brings the ratio to one machine for about every four persons. Last year there was a total of 289,359 of both classes of vehicles in the state, 267,891 automobiles and 21,468 trucks.

A fee of 50 cents is turned into the state from every license sold. The aggregate so far this year is \$165,731. This includes fees, also, from 2,315 motorcycle licenses, 38 motorcycle dealer licenses and 1,939 automobile dealer licenses issued this year. The total number of these fifty-cent fees collected in 1922 is \$31,462. In 1921 the total number was 293,611 or \$146,805.50.

ASKS \$5,251.25 FOR ATTACK BY STRIKERS

Another chapter has been added to the railroad strike story of Herington with the filing of a damage suit against the City of Herington by Harry H. Nones, claiming that on July 9, 1922, he was attacked by a mob of strikers, incensed by his refusal to strike "which mob violently threw said plaintiff into an automobile driven by one of its members and in so doing broke the ribs of the plaintiff and caused such unlawful and violent attack by tearing off his clothing, beating him in the face and upon the body and choking and threatening to kill him." The petition further alleges that he was put in fear of his life, causing great mental suffering and permanent bodily injuries, the treatment of which resulted in a \$150 doctor's bill.

Further damages were enumerated as follows: Suit \$35, but \$4.50, shirt \$3.50, union suit \$2.50, tie and collar \$1.25, collar buttons \$2.50, cuff buttons \$2 and loss of time \$90.

The plaintiff asks damages for all these losses, the doctor's bill and \$5,000 for physical and mental suffering.

FINE FARM HOME IS BURNED TO THE GROUND

At 2 o'clock Tuesday morning the residence and barn on the Fred Gaede farm south of the city were totally destroyed by fire which is supposed to have started from the furnace in the basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaede were barely able to get out of the house, the fire had gained such headway before they were awakened. All furniture was burned.

The Gaede farm house, one of the finest in that neighborhood, was of stone construction. The barn was of stone and frame construction and was also a fine building. Mr. Gaede was able to turn the stock from the barn before it was destroyed.

The loss is between twelve and fifteen thousand dollars, partially covered by insurance, Chapman Advertiser.

KANSAS CITY MARKET

(Associated Press)
Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 27.—Cattle 7,800, beef steers steady to lower, early top \$9.50, fat cows and heifers steady to strong, bulk cows \$4 to \$5, most heifers \$5 to \$6.50.

Hogs—Receipts 10,000, mostly \$5 higher, top \$8.40, bulk \$8.05 to \$8.30.

Wheat and Corn—Cash wheat, No. 1 hard \$1.12 to \$1.23, No. 2 \$1.15 to \$1.23; No. 1 red \$1.31, No. 2 \$1.27 to \$1.31. Dec. wheat \$1.14, May \$1.16, July \$1.08, Dec. corn 60¢, July 71¢, May 70¢.

ABILENE MARKETS

Butterfat
Eggs
Heavy hens
Light hens
Roosters
Spring chickens
Leghorns
Wheat
Corn

Through 1923 We Invite You

☐ We believe business goes where it is invited. We also think people like to be asked for their business.

☐ This bank wants your business, no matter how large, no matter how small, because we believe in progress and growth and are frank in saying, the way to get it is to go after it.

☐ We feel sure we will merit all or a part of your business, and have no hesitancy in asking you for it.

A Happy New Year to You!

Abilene National Bank

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